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REMARKS

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1. On 22 August 1952, Unit Popov consisting of 400 soldiers arrived at the Olympisches Dorf, 2 km west of Altes Lager in Doeberitz (N 53/Z 65). Until 28 August, the Olympisches Dorf was occupied by an advance detail of a new unit, Unit Popov and Unit Kavalov. Unit Kavalov still consisted of about 550 soldiers. Fifteen truck crews wearing red-bordered black epaulets including some with either tank insignia or artillery insignia and motor vehicles

[redacted] were seen with the advance detail. (1)

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2. On 26 August, a train carrying numerous T-34/85 tanks [redacted] was seen in Loewen-berg (N 53/Z 69). (2)

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3. [redacted] large field exercises involving VP units would be held in the area of Schwerin (M 54/T 46) in late September 1952.

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4. [redacted]

5. On 20 August, a unit which came from the Bismarck Kaserne on Weissen-felserstrasse and [redacted] was a repair shop unit was entrained at the eastern railroad station in Naumburg (M 52/J 39) from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on 20 August.

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Comments.

- (1) According to a report [redacted] the unit of Major Popov (fnu) which previously was carried as the 18th (?) Engr Bn of the 1st Lecz Div had left the Olympisches Dorf in early August 1952. It was believed that the unit had gone to the Semliner See north of Rathenow. 25X1

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The advance detail of the unit which is to be quartered in the quarters of the 11th Gds AT Arty Brig (?) [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] probably belongs to the 2d Light Arty Brig in Oranienburg. This observation checks with previous assumptions concerning the exchange of the two brigades.

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- (2) [redacted] 25X1

The tank unit possibly went to Neustrelitz where tank units of this division had already practiced from 14 to 18 August [redacted] 25X1

- (3) Headquarters conferences have repeatedly been held at the headquarters of the IV Arty Corps at the Ziethen Kaserne since the beginning of the summer training period. The last conference was reportedly held on 3 August 1952. The motor vehicles of the attending officers belong to the IV Arty Corps and some to the 6th Arty Div (US) in Brandenburg and the 34th Arty Div (US).
- (4) A repair shop unit of the 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div was probably transported to Kindel.

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